

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Original): A method of collecting a bodily fluid sample from an incision in the skin comprising:

 pressing against the skin a stimulator sleeve of a bodily fluid sampling device around the incision to express the bodily fluid sample; and

 moving a capillary tube of the bodily fluid sampling device towards the incision by moving the capillary tube relative to the stimulator sleeve while the sleeve remains in contact with the skin.
2. (Original): The method of claim 1, further comprising forming the incision in the skin with a needle of the bodily fluid sampling device.
3. (Original): The method of claim 1, further comprising forming the incision with the bodily fluid sampling device before said moving.
4. (Original): The method of claim 3, further comprising drawing the bodily fluid from the incision into the capillary tube.

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5. (Original): The method of claim 4, further comprising transferring the bodily fluid onto a test strip located at one end of the capillary tube.
6. (Original): The method of claim 5, further comprising analyzing the bodily fluid on the test strip.
7. (Original): The method of claim 1, further comprising drawing the bodily fluid from the incision into the capillary tube.
8. (Original): The method of claim 7, further comprising transferring the bodily fluid from the capillary tube onto a test strip.
9. (Original): The method of claim 8, further comprising analyzing the bodily fluid on the test strip.
10. (Original): A method of collecting a sample of bodily fluid from an incision in the skin, comprising:
 - pressing against the skin a stimulator sleeve of a bodily fluid sampling device around the incision to express at least a drop of the bodily fluid; and
 - moving a means for collecting the bodily fluid in the bodily fluid sampling device towards the drop by moving the means for collecting the bodily fluid relative to the stimulator sleeve while the sleeve remains in contact with the skin.

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11. (Original): The method of claim 10, wherein:
the means for collecting the bodily fluid includes a capillary tube with an end;
and
said moving includes extending the end of the capillary tube towards the drop.
12. (Original): The method of claim 10, wherein:
the bodily fluid sampling device includes an inner sleeve having a slot;
the stimulator sleeve is slidable relative to the inner sleeve;
the means for collecting the bodily fluid includes a test strip received in the
slot of the inner sleeve; and
said moving includes sliding the inner sleeve relative to the stimulator sleeve
to contact the test strip with the drop.
13. (Original): The method of claim 10, further comprising forming the
incision with the bodily fluid sampling device before said moving.
14. (New): A method, comprising:
placing a sampling device in contact with a non-digit body part;
creating an incision in the non-digit body part with the sampling device; and
testing body fluid on the surface of the non-digit body part from the incision
with the sampling device while the sampling device remains in contact with the non-
digit body part.

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15. (New): The method of claim 14, further comprising sampling the body fluid from the incision with the sampling device before said testing.
16. (New): The method of claim 15, wherein said sampling the body fluid includes drawing fluid into a capillary in the sampling device via capillary action.
17. (New): The method of claim 16, wherein said testing includes analyzing the body fluid with a test strip disposed along the capillary.
18. (New): The method of claim 15, wherein said sampling includes:
moving a capillary from a first position where the capillary is displaced from the skin to a second position where the capillary is adjacent the skin while the sampling device remains in contact with the skin; and
drawing the body fluid from the incision into the capillary via capillary action.
19. (New): The method of claim 14, further comprising said testing includes analyzing the body fluid with a test strip disposed at an end of the sampling device proximal the skin.
20. (New): The method of claim 14, further comprising wherein the non-digit body part is an earlobe or a limb.

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